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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the November 2, 2005 Office Action which set a three-month period for reply. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a) and 1.17(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for reply be extended three months, i.e., to up to and including May 2, 2006. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$510.00 in payment of the fee therefor by a small entity and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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